



## TRUMAN SEEKS 4-YEAR PLAN TO AID EUROPE

President's Viewpoint  
Outlined by Landon After Parley in White House

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (AP)—President Truman wants Congress to underwrite western Europe's recovery program for at least four years, Alf. M. Landon said today after talking with Mr. Truman at the White House.

This view is in direct conflict with the stand taken by Senator Taft (R-Oio) and several other Republican leaders who want any long-term help by the U. S. to be granted on a year-to-year basis.

Landon, former governor of Kansas and Republican presidential nominee in 1936, told reporters Mr. Truman had authorized him to relay the presidential wish for a four-year guarantee of aid to Europe.

Expressing agreement with the President, Landon said: "I told him these people in Europe are sticking out their necks, that their very lives are at stake and they ought to know what they can count on."

Four years of assistance, at a total cost of \$15,700,000,000 to \$18,300,000,000 is contemplated in Secretary of State Marshall's program to help the 18 western European countries which have agreed to help themselves at the same time.

President Truman's press secretary, Charles G. Ross, said today that the presidential message detailing the program will be sent to Congress "shortly" but not before Mr. Truman has conferred with congressional leaders Monday.

Senate and House conferees meanwhile reached a partial agreement on differences between the two houses' bills authorizing more than \$500,000,000 in stopgap assistance until a long-range aid program can be started.

They deferred action, however, on the chief conflict—the fact that the Senate measure calls for \$597,000,000 for France, Italy and Austria while the House version provides only \$590,000,000 and cuts China in for \$60,000,000 of it.

All indications were that the House appropriations committee, which must recommend voting of the actual funds, would leave China out of its money bill.

## Truman, Ike Stick to Army In Brief Talk

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (AP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower conferred for 30 minutes today with President Truman in what the outgoing chief of staff described as a "purely professional" discussion of Army affairs.

White House reporters sought in vain for any political overtones, in view of the speculation that a Eisenhower might be drafted as the Republican presidential candidate.

"It was purely professional. I assure you," the

five-star officer told the newsmen. "It was merely about the Army and its future."

President Secretary Charles G. Ross later said the President's version of what went on was the same as Eisenhower's.

Eisenhower was asked whether he discussed his pending retirement as chief of staff, to accept the presidency of Columbia University. No, he said, adding:

"We have perfect agreements on that for a long time."

"You mean you and the President?"

"Yes," Eisenhower answered. "and General Bradley."

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## Big Four Harmony at New Low: Bevin Assails Molotov's 'Insults'

LONDON, Dec. 12 (AP)—A savage Russian attack against the United States, Britain and France tonight reduced big four relations to the lowest point since the war and threatened an almost immediate breakup of the London session of the foreign ministers conference.

The most acrimonious foreign ministers meeting ever held ended abruptly, official observers said, when British Foreign Secretary Bevin termed Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov's attack on Allied policies in Germany "insults and abuse."

U. S. Secretary of State Marshall declared the attack made it "difficult to inspire respect

for the dignity of the Soviet Union."

Conference sources said Molotov tossed his conciliatory attitude of the past few days out the window of sedate Lancaster house and launched an hour-long attack.

He accused the Western powers of making "enormous profits" out of Germany through "hidden reparations."

He also declared that the United States, Britain and France were trying to "perpetuate the division of Germany" as part of a strategic plan to employ their occupation zones against what he described as the "democratic countries of Europe."

The sudden unexpected verbal

assault by Molotov came during a conference showdown on reparations and made it clear that the "cold war" for Europe would be fought out on the basis of the Marshall plan and the so-called "Molotov plan" of cooperation among the Soviet-dominated planned economy states of the East.

A bridge between the two through big four agreements on Germany appeared completely impossible following the meeting's developments. There were indications that Molotov's switch from conciliation to an uncompromising front had come at the direction of the Kremlin.

### Upheld



### Schwellenbach Idea For Price Controls Opposed by GOP

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (AP)—Secretary of Labor Schwellenbach today outlined to Congress specific proposals for price ceilings and rollbacks as Republicans debated whether or not to place their own anti-inflation bill before the House Monday on a "take it or leave it" basis.

Schwellenbach sent the proposed price control legislation to the House banking committee with a note saying he will submit a wage control bill shortly.

But Chairman Woleott (R-Mich) told reporters definitely there will be no action at the special session on the Schwellenbach bill, or the one drafted by Secretary of Commerce Harman asking priority and allocation authority.

Schwellenbach said price controls would be limited to those commodities that basically affect the cost of living or agricultural and industrial production, and those "essential to effectuation of the foreign policy of the United States."

The Labor secretary declared a maximum price ceiling should be applied only if the commodity is found to be in short supply and its price has risen unreasonably beyond that prevailing in June, 1947. Under his proposals price ceilings could not be lower than the highest price prevailing between June 11 and June 18, 1947, except in cases where there have been decreased costs or market declines.

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## French Back Decision Expelling 19 Russians

PARIS, Dec. 12 (AP)—The French government, just given a new parliamentary vote of approval over Communist opposition, told Russia tonight its recent expulsion of 19 Soviet citizens was legal.

In a reply to a Russian protest handed to the Soviet embassy, the foreign office said the expulsion was carried out according to international law and usage and without mistreatment of any of those involved.

Shortly before the note was made public, the national assembly sided with Premier Robert Schuman in voting to close a hot debate on criticism of the government voiced by Lt. Col. Raymond Marquie, chief of the French repatriation mission expelled from Russia this week.

The 19 Russians were banished from France the past month, in the midst of a strike wave, on the ground of "interference" in French affairs. Their expulsion followed a French raid on Camp Beauregard, Soviet repatriation center near Paris.

Subsequently, the Russians sent a note of protest to the French government and the French, declaring the terms unacceptable, handed the note back.

The past Tuesday, the two governments ordered the ex-

pulsion of each other's repatriation missions—maintained in Paris and Moscow for an exchange of their respective nationals—and trade relations were broken off.

Tonight's French note told the Russians:

1. It was "absolutely inexact" to say violence was used against any of the 19 Russians expelled.

2. All were given treatment "conforming to the rules of humanity."

3. France had every right to expel them without advising the Soviet embassy; this is a regular procedure even between countries with consular agreements, and the Soviet Union, which has no such pact with France, could not expect preferential treatment for her citizens.

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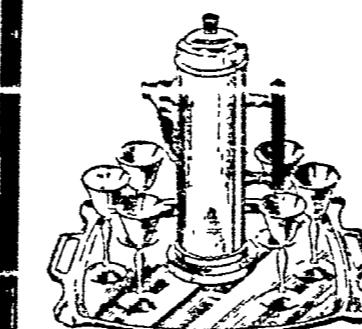
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The man who rules his spirit, saith  
the voice that cannot err, is greater  
than the one who takes a city. If  
each would have dominion of himself,  
would govern wisely, and thus show  
true courage, knowledge, power, be-  
nevolence, all the princely soul of  
private virtues, then each would be  
a prince—a hero—a man in likeness  
of his maker.—Mrs. S. J. Hale.

## A Time for Reasoning

THERE has been an ominous increase in the  
fear of Russia on the part of the Ameri-  
can people during the past few months. This  
is not said out of a desire to minimize the  
seriousness of the international situation.

It must be remembered, however, that it  
is possible to fan the flames of fear and  
suspicion until a nation comes to believe that  
war is inevitable. And once that stage is  
reached, war always comes sooner or later.

David Lawrence put this well when he  
said, "The danger in a battle of words is  
that it can conceivably develop into a  
battle of arms."

It is unfortunate that American states-  
men have been goaded into using language  
that is not often employed between countries  
not at war. The Russians, of course, provoked  
them into it. Even so, difficult as it may be  
to keep our tempers, we cannot gain any-  
thing by war-like talk simply because Russia  
employs war-like talk.

To quote Mr. Lawrence again, "It is a  
time for restrained phrases and for per-  
suasive argument. It is a time not for  
feeling but for reasoning."

We can best serve the cause of freedom  
abroad, in our relations with the Russians  
and all others, by backing up our material  
aid with a demonstration of the fact that  
democracy, as we know it, is superior to any  
form of super-state?

We can, in other words, help combat the  
spread of communism by example.

We must keep our people and our indus-  
tries free of the governmental controls which  
plague Europe.

At the same time, we must continue to  
work to the limit of our abilities with all  
nations, regardless of ideology, to maintain  
the peace of the world.

"Fear hysteria" will never achieve that  
vital end.

What's Right With the U.S.A.  
MILLIONS of Americans seem to be apathetic  
toward charges that there is something  
basically wrong with our governmental and  
economic systems, and that socialism, com-  
munism and the rest of the assorted isms  
have more to offer.

Edward C. Sammons, president of the  
United States National Bank of Portland,  
Oregon, touched on that vividly when he  
said:

"Our country is the only nation in the  
history of the world that has continued with  
its intrinsic, basic type of government since  
its beginning 170 years ago . . . In those 170  
years our 6 percent of the world's population  
produced 25 percent of the world's goods and  
possesses 50 percent of the world's wealth  
No other country is there such opportunity  
as here."

"Too many people are saying what is  
wrong with America. Instead, we should  
be saying what is right with the United  
States. Why should capital be on trial  
here? Why should not socialism or com-  
munism instead be on trial, when our  
people are asked to provide the money  
and the food and tools for other nations  
to carry on?"

"In my time we have defended our  
country three times from outside invaders, but  
we are not defending it sufficiently from  
within. The working man here is able to  
live almost as well as a king compared with  
those in other countries. Other systems  
prevail. Our people have!"

That is a fundamental truth.

The American people should shout from  
the rooftops their faith in a system that  
has given them unprecedented tangible benefits  
and, infinitely more important, the in-  
tangibles that make for a life of freedom.

Farmers and Prices

WHEN prices start down at what point will  
farmers begin to think things are getting  
tough?

Will it be when corn falls to \$1.50, \$1.00  
or to 75 cents?

When hogs slide to 15 or 10 cents?

What will be the prevailing agricultural  
psychology on the down-swing?

How much will the prices of what farmers  
buy affect opinion?

It could be interesting to discuss these  
questions this winter, and might help toward  
clear thinking later.

## Grampaw Oakley

PUNKIN CORNERS.  
Editor, The Mercury, December 12.  
Dear Sir n' Brother:

Wal, I see by the papers where Christmas  
trees have made their appearance in Moscow.  
Apparently the Yule spirit  
is proof against anything, including a Molotov or  
Vishinsky veto.

An item says even sci-  
ence is to have a New  
Look. It's that new 200-  
inch telescope being set up  
on Mt. Palomar.

And say: Astronomers  
are squabbling over whether  
the speed of light is  
186,000 miles per second or  
a mere 185,993. Uphill or downhill?

Hepin' you all the same,  
GRAMPAW NED OAKLEY

## READERS SAY:

### Give Tied-Down Mothers Chance for Relaxation

WANTS her son to score more than 100  
words long of current topics and must  
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By MERCURY READERS

### Churches for Child Havens

To the Editor: Take any neighborhood  
church in Pottstown. Within a short  
walking distance of it must be at least  
20 families with one or two small chil-  
dren each. That means 20 mothers who  
must stay at home all day because they  
can't leave a child alone in the house.  
The child may be sleeping most of the  
time but no sane mother is going to walk  
out on him. So 20 mothers are frustrat-  
ed, resentful of their isolation, irritated  
by monotony.

Why should the church not open its  
Sunday school rooms every afternoon  
from 2 to 6 for an informal "children's  
play school" or something of the sort?  
There are at least 10 older women in the  
membership whose children are grown up  
and thoroughly competent to assume re-  
sponsibility. Some high school girls  
could come in after school.

Cots could be provided for those chil-  
dren who need naps. Others would find  
plenty of interest in new surroundings  
and a welcome change from their homes.

Every church asserts that the pres-  
ervation of family life is fundamental.  
Here's a project that would be more effec-  
tive than two sermons. It would cost  
the church nothing, enable some of the  
older women and young girls to make a  
worthy contribution to community wel-  
fare and bring relief to hundreds of tied-  
down mothers.

Pottstown MRS. D. P. P.

### Individual Cases Not Helped

To the Editor: After reading the ap-  
peal for aid to continue treatments in  
the most deserving case of Miss Nancy  
Dagleish, I recall several similar appeals  
in the past year where fires destroyed homes,  
etc. The Salvation Army seems  
to be the only organization that helps in-  
dividual cases.

Have our charities become so organ-  
ized they cannot help a single family or  
person? Could this be why people are  
tired of supporting the Community Chest  
and the Red Cross?

Each year we factory workers are  
asked to subscribe to these welfare agen-  
cies. Do we then wonder, when every  
time a fellow worker meets a personal  
calamity, his only help is a public appeal  
for donations?

Pottstown L. H.

### FOR THE LIVING OF THESE DAYS

By VICTOR F. PATTERSON  
General Secretary YMCA.

THIS IS LIFE ETERNAL, THAT  
THEY MIGHT KNOW THEE, THE ONLY  
TRUE GOD, AND JESUS CHRIST  
WHOM THOU HAST SENT. John 17:3

YOU ARE SHUTTING OUT THE LIGHT  
FROM THE EYE OF YOUR SOUL,  
AND ARE ABSORBED IN THE SAT-  
ISFACTION OF THE LOWER DE-  
Sires AND AMBITIONS OF THE  
FLESH WHEN YOU:

"Dr. Crane, I've been married for  
seven years," she said as she toyed with  
her handkerchief nervously, "and have  
been devoted to my husband."

"He has been very fond of me and  
our two children, at least while he is  
sober."

"But on weekends he drinks up part  
of his wages, for he stops at a tavern  
with the fellows from the factory, and  
I never know how much money he'll have  
left."

"He wakes from his drunken sleep  
about Sunday noon, and is always sorry.  
He promises me hell quit. But he never  
does. I've left him twice, but he then  
vowed he'd reform, so I came back."

"Dr. Crane, I don't want my children  
brought up in a drunken home, so what  
can I do? Would one of those advertised  
places be able to cure him of the drink  
habit?"

Alcohol is usually the crutch of weak-  
lings who flee thereby from an unpleas-  
ant reality into a temporary oblivion. It  
is a first cousin to suicide, the dole hab-  
it, vagabondage and other devices by  
which people try to get away from situa-  
tions that cause them pain.

When we encounter a drunkard like  
Flora's husband, we must first ask our-  
selves why he wants to flee from reality.  
Men can be cured of the drink habit,  
but it is not efficient to eliminate the  
escape outlet without first correcting the  
cause.

In short, alcohol is the fire escape  
that often leads a man or woman from an  
inner conflagration of emotional con-  
flict. It isn't wise to destroy the fire  
escape, however, until we first put out the  
cause.

So to cure alcoholism, first solve the  
man's inner torment or emotional con-  
flict! Then he'll have little need for the  
liquor.

If, on the other hand, we simply make  
alcohol nauseous to a man who is re-  
sorting to it as a means of escape, he  
may flee by some other avenue, as by  
dope, or even suicide.

What causes torment in Flora's hus-  
band? I later had a conference with him,  
and learned that he had eloped with her  
against her parents' wishes, for they  
wanted her to marry a young attorney  
who had already proposed to her.

Realize the whole life of Christ is a  
revelation to men of what God has made  
possible for man to become.

See the real values and possibilities in  
this life and seek with unwavering pur-  
pose to realize them here and now.

Answer the call of the mighty God  
who dominates the seas and stars.

Have a mind and heart and life which  
is dominated by some great spiritual urge,  
some great ideal, by sacrificial labor  
for some great cause.

Intimates would be startled if Hor-  
ace Schmidlap and Carole Landis made  
the fatal announcement in January.

Huntington Hartford is happily pick-  
ing up Catherine Cassidy's dinner tab.

Jack Kirkland is doing same for  
Nancy Headley, who was in his "Tobacco  
Road."

Harry Sitmore, one of the nation's  
top jewel thieves, has been paroled from  
a Florida prison after serving 14 years  
of a 40-year sentence. He's the Raffles  
who once robbed Grace Moore, and who  
became famous when he broke out of  
jail by hiding under the motor hood of  
a prison laundry truck.

And say: Astronomers  
are squabbling over whether  
the speed of light is  
186,000 miles per second or  
a mere 185,993. Uphill or downhill?

Hepin' you all the same,  
GRAMPAW NED OAKLEY

## WASHINGTON

### Politicians Frown On Military Candidate

By RAY TUCKER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12—Despite Gen-  
eral "Ike" Eisenhower's tremendous pres-  
tige and popularity, a confidential can-  
vass of professional politicians on the  
Republican side reveals that they do not

favor the nomination of a military man as  
their 1948, presidential candidate. The same  
prejudice exists toward General Douglas A.  
MacArthur.

These party workers, who consist of national,  
State and county committeemen, are not  
moved by the motives which lead so many  
people to question the advisability of having a  
soldier in the white House—namely, that he  
might be too dictatorial, imperialistic and arbitrary in his  
management of civilian affairs. Their  
anti-Eisenhower attitude is based on more  
practical political considerations.

To them the commanders of our Euro-  
pean and Pacific armies in the recent  
conflict are "outsiders"; they do not belong  
to the lodge. The GOP-ers figure that  
the two heroes, not having a political  
background or upbringing, would not  
have the proper notions about such nice-  
ties as patronage, day-by-day rewards for  
party patriots, and all the other questions  
which concern the clubhouse crowd.

**PREJUDICE:** A majority of Repub-  
lican members of Congress share the  
prejudice. They concede that "Ike" has  
a broader grasp of national problems than  
the average military men. In these days  
a commander of millions of men of many  
nations—he had soldiers of twelve countries  
under his command at one time—must master many questions of general  
interest.

Nevertheless, they fear that such a  
man might be overbearing and stubborn  
in his relations with the legislative  
branch, as another "outsider," Herbert  
Hoover, was inclined to be at times.

**CHANCES:** In view of this reaction to  
the Eisenhower-for-President question-  
naire, it is agreed that his chances will  
improve as the Republican prospects for  
a 1948 victory decline, if they do.

**RECOMMENDED FOR AC-  
TION LOVERS:** "Lycoon" (La-  
raine Day-John Wayne—Sir  
Cedric Hardwicke—Judith Anderson).  
He-man romance hinging

on an American engineer's bat-  
tling against odds in the Andes.  
It's big and virile, and the  
scenery is something to see.

**QUOTED AT PAR:** "The Ten-  
der Years" (Joe E. Brown—Elo-  
ise Lyon—Noreen Nash). Joe E.  
Brown will win new fans in an  
off-the-beaten-path role as a  
crusading minister.

**LOW BRIDGE:** "The White  
Gorilla" (Ray Corrigan—Lorraine  
Miller). Unbelievable, uninter-  
esting and inexhaustable.

**BEST PERFORMANCE:** Joe  
E. Brown in "The Tender Years."

white mink (mink!) Christmas  
Tree in history. It's only natural  
that it should originate in Holly-  
wood or environs. It took 67 white  
mink skins valued at \$8000 to fashion  
on the thing.

The Ray Milland brought back  
great stacks of Regency furniture  
and lamps with them from Eng-  
land—enough to do the entire first  
floor of their new house. Ray sold  
that little Bantam car he brought  
back to director Billy Wilder who  
can't resist anything on wheels.

Milland went into a local art gal-  
lery the other day and bought a  
painting and when the vendor who  
didn't recognize him asked for the  
name and address, Ray unbuttoned  
his coat and showed him his shirt with his name on it.

Little Jean McLaren, like Deanna

Durbin, is getting her chance in  
pictures, by way of singing on Eddie  
Cantor's radio program. Like Deanna  
was several years ago, Jean has  
been grabbed from Eddie's show, and  
has been given a big part in "A Date  
with Judy" at MGM with Wallace  
Beery, Elizabeth Taylor without  
ever having to go through a screen  
test first . . . When someone in Holly-  
wood says, "Will Santa be good to  
me?" you don't know whether he  
means Santa Claus—or Santa  
Anna race track!

Fred Clark, who used to be Diana  
Lynn's admirer, is dating blonde Mar-  
ian Carr. Marian has just taken  
over Rosemary de Camp's role with  
Jean Hersholt on the "Dr. Christian"  
program, while Rosemary is on mat-  
ernal leave . . . Word sifts in from  
Manhattan that Tommy Manville  
has been barred from the Harem  
Night Club for "unseemly conduct"

whatever that might be in this case.

What causes torment in Flora's hus-  
band? I later had

Cash farm income from milk in the United States increased from \$986 million in 1932 to \$3,716 million in 1946.

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NEWSPAPER ARCHIVE

**Collegeville Man Given 1½ to 3 Year Term  
in Prison for Looting Dormitories, Home**

By Staff Correspondent  
NORRISTOWN, Dec. 12 (P)—Walter Henry Ward Jr., 37, who Assistant U.S. Attorney Saul Shurson said hid in Mexico for five and a half years and became a leading Mexican movie actor under the name of Alfonso Ortega, was sentenced to four years in jail today for violating the draft law.

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**German Pilot Names Others Who Knew****Hilter and Eva Braun Escaped Berlin**

WARSAW, Dec. 12 (AP)—A one-time German SS (elite guard) pilot, sticking to his story that he flew Adolf Hitler and his mistress Eva Braun to Denmark just before the fall of Berlin, was reported tonight to have named others he said were on the flight.

The newspaper *Zycie Warszawy* said Capt. Peter Baumgart had elaborated upon earlier accounts in a statement to Polish authorities in Mokotow fortress prison, where he is waiting to go on trial on war crimes charges in Warsaw next Wednesday.

The paper reported Baumgart said a sister of Eva Braun, a German general named Rommer, and his wife and one other aide of Hitler were aboard the plane. He was said to have told this story.

He was called by Hitler on April 28, 1945, and took off with the German leader's party the same day in a Messerschmitt 108 escorted by two other aircraft whose crews included a Lieutenant Urban and a Sergeant Gunzel.

His plane put down the following day at Magdeburg, left again the next morning and, on Hitler's

**EYE ACCIDENTS**

Dr. H. C. Baumann

This column is written by Dr. H. C. Baumann, Optometrist at a competent authority on matters pertaining to eyesight.

Each year, 200,000 workmen in the United States meet with accidents to the eyes; of these, about 2,000 cause blindness. Of the total blindness in this country, 15% is attributed to industrial accidents. The greater proportion of these accidents nowadays occur in the smaller shops or on the farm, where safety devices are not in use. They also occur on railroads, in construction work, and in field and forest.

The most dangerous occupations are chipping metal with a cold chisel, the use of small hand tools which "mushroom," the dressing of stone, the chopping of wood, etc.

The greatest danger, in many cases, is not in the particle which may penetrate the eye, but it is in the attempted removal of the particle by a fellow workman, with the aid of a toothpick, handkerchief, or other unsterile article, which introduces infection into the tissues of the eye.

Next Saturday, this column will discuss present methods of control to prevent industrial accidents to the eye.

If you have any questions concerning your eyes, address Dr. Baumann at 215 High Street, Pottstown, and your query will be answered through this column or by direct mail.

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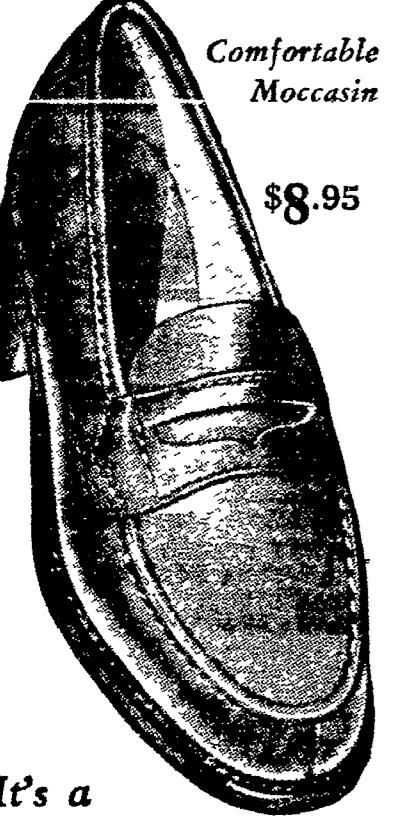
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**DEATHS and FUNERALS**

RACHEL L. (RHOADS) CLAY, 75, wife of Alben Clay, died at 11 o'clock last night at her home, 432 WALNUT STREET. She had been ill for two weeks.

She had been an active member of First Methodist church for many years and taught a class in the Sunday school there until recently.

A lifelong resident of Pottstown, she was a daughter of the late William and Mary (Hester) Rhoads. She and her husband celebrated their 53rd wedding anniversary Nov. 28.

She is survived by her husband; two daughters, Helen M. at home, and Sarah M., wife of the Rev. E. LeRoy Eberhart, Lansford; Spring City, and Elizabeth Rhoads, 432 Walnut street; seven grand-

children and three great-grandchildren.

Two sons preceded her in death.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from her home. Interment will be made in Mt. Zion cemetery.

FATHER OF FOUR KILLED

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12 (AP)—J.

Thomas Davis, 50, father of four

children, died today after he was struck by an automobile and hurled into the path of a trolley.

Officiating was the Rev. Paul C. Scheirer, pastor of St. John's Reformed church.

Further services were held from

a funeral home in Tamaqua, and

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## Executive Board of Lincoln PTA Holds Christmas Dinner for Teachers

Snowmen with red hats among red tapers with Christmas greens seen here and there, were the decorations last night in Kush's restaurant when members of the executive board of the Lincoln PTA held their annual Christmas dinner for the teachers.

Miss Edith Nagle accompanied the group at the piano in the singing of carols. As entertainment, a Mr. Hush program was staged. Mrs. George Emery was the recipient of the gifts given in this hour of fun.

Each member was given a Christman card puzzle. When completed, the location of a gift served as the reward.

Mrs. James Johnson, president, presided over the short business meeting and also as toastmaster.

Card games were enjoyed following the banquet.

Persons present were Mrs. Thomas Jone, Mrs. William Weiss, Miss Christina Longacre, Mrs. Karl Johnson, Miss Geraldine Spatziani, Mrs. June Weand, Miss Justine Andre, Miss Dorothy Barkel, Mrs. Lotte Harnley, Mrs. Laura Engle, Mrs. Harry Opal, Mrs. Allan Davidheiser Jr., Mrs. Ernest Kulp, Mrs. George Seidel, Mrs. Margaret Edwards, Mrs. George Hughes, Mrs. William VanBuskirk, Mrs. Myrtle Gerhart and Mrs. Charles Roland.

It was announced that the children's Christmas party will be held at the Lincoln school on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

### Christmas Party Held

#### By Ladies Auxiliary

A Christmas party and covered dish social was held recently by members of the Ladies auxiliary of the Goodwill Fire company in the firehall.

A white Christmas tree and a large Santa Claus decorated the head table with large candles on the two side tables.

Gifts were exchanged by the members.

Mrs. Ruth Levenood was chairman of the party committee.

Election of officers was held at a business meeting following the party at which time Miss Editha Boorse was re-elected president; Mrs. Mary Kirlin, vice president; Mrs. Ada Beekley, treasurer, and Miss Edith Hawk, secretary.

It was announced that the committees will be appointed at the January meeting.

Games were played and the pig-in-the-box, which was donated by Miss Hawk, was won by Miss Boorse.

## HOSPITALS

**POTTSSTOWN** Admitted: Mrs. Mary McDonald, 339 Chestnut street, maternity; Mrs. Bettie Smith, Penn Village, maternity; Daniel Cleaver, Boyertown RD 2, surgical; Iola Christopher, 414 Lincoln avenue, medical; Mary Misko, 163 South Franklin street, medical; Harry Mest, Boyertown, medical.

Discharged: Harold Hartman, 533 Beech street, surgical; Mrs. Anne Grady, 332 South Hanover street, maternity; Mrs. Grace Thomas, 48 King street, maternity; Mrs. Bernita Bishop, 1416 Cherry Lane, maternity; Lillian Freese, 105 Walnut street, medical; William Daley, YMCA building, medical; Pauline Whitman, 1449 Cherry Lane, surgical; Katherine Twaddell, Phoenixville, surgical; Catherine Colyer, 12 East Third street, surgical.

#### MEMORIAL

Admitted: Mrs. Ida Gauger, 15 Walnut street, medical; Mrs. Ella Bertoli, South Pottstown, maternity; Mrs. Henrietta Davidheiser, 1389 Queen street, maternity; Mrs. Tessie Ludy, Pottstown RD 3, maternity; Mrs. Doris Reitmyer, Pottstown RD 3, maternity; Mrs. Anna Bertoli, Collegeville, surgical.

Discharged: Mrs. Mabel Erb, Pottstown RD 3, medical; Leonard Schellenberger, 311 North Franklin street, medical; David Evans, 6 East Sixth street, surgical; Elida Rothenberger, Boyertown, surgical.

## PERSONALS

Mrs. William J. Schinstane, the former Lynne Seeders, of San Antonio, Tex., is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon H. Seeders, of 344 Chestnut street. Mr. Schinstane is on tour with the San Antonio Symphony orchestra and will join his wife at a later date.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin L. Christman of Winnetka, Ill., are visiting Mrs. Christman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wager, Pottstown RD 1. The couple will also visit Mr. Christman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John F. of Gilbertsville.

## Norco Cheer Group Sponsors Dance In Gym of School

Jitterbugs, walzes, and rhumbas, along with smooth and romancing music was heard last night in the gymnasium of the North Coventry High school when the cheer leaders sponsored a dance.

The music was played by a recording machine.

Members on the committee were Miss Barbara Collins, captain; Betty Moyer, Dorothy Staversky, Janice Care, Nancy Manweller, Shelly Colins, Beryle Reed, Mary Casper, Janet Christman and Jane Camaoh.

Among the dancers were Janet Weiss, Sam Baker, Shirley Lightcap, Adelle Miller, Russell Dawson, George Shrum, Robert Swavely, David Creasy, Kenneth Dawson, George Shaeffer, Len Yost, Ralph Risch, Bill McCruden, Carl Bean, Chester Laverty, Joyce Gills, Thomas Fisher, John McElroy, Bill Zert, Thland Beekly and James Orandosh.

Also Paul Chappie, Marilyn Roth, Joe Gault, Shirley Dilks, William Tyson, Junior Murray, Mrs. Sherman H. Burbank Jr., Burns H. Tellman, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Clark, John Petrick, Sandra Olsen, William Glaughin, Ellen Fain, Catherine Luft, Betty Prince, Oscar H. Darlington, Bill Callanan, Joan Hoffman, Donald Rothenberger, Sonny Brown, Ralph Steine, Shirley Stauffer, Gladys McElroy, Stephen Bodoule and Bill Baker.

Also William Dolhanzyk, Loraine Wenzel, Virginia Tyson, Monroe Austin, Dick Klein, Jan Evans, Jenny Knauer, Patty Orandosh, Nancy Loh, Beryl Read, Nancy Manviller, Robert Kochel, Bob Evans and David Camaho.

## BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. James Bertoli, of South Pottstown, are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son yesterday in Memorial hospital.

Congratulations are being received by Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Reitmyer, of Pottstown RD 3, on the birth of a son yesterday in Memorial hospital.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Warren Ludy, of Pottstown RD 1, yesterday in Memorial hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Davidheiser, of 1329 Queen street, announce the birth of a daughter yesterday in Memorial hospital.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Smith, of Penn Village, yesterday in Pottstown hospital.

Congratulations are being received by Mr. and Mrs. Talmadge McDonald, of 339 Chestnut street, on the birth of a son yesterday in Pottstown hospital.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Levenood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Levenood, of 768 Queen street, aged eight years.

A good cover for a rolling pin is a child's white ribbed cotton stocking with the foot cut off. It will help prevent cooks or pastry dough from sticking.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wentzel, 60 South Adams street, announce the birth of a son, John David, yesterday in their home.

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GEORGE CLEVELAND  
WILLIAM CHING

# Woman's Page

## WEDDINGS

### Members of Clubs To Be Entertained By Local Talent

Entertainment provided by dancing and floor shows await members of local lodges tonight.

Paul Hoffman and his orchestra will play the dance music for the members of the Owls nest.

Members of the Eagles will hear The Sharks orchestra and Mickey Newman will be the star of the floor show. Persons wishing reservations were asked to call Mr. Robert Williams, 3759 M and Mr. Paul Stoneifer, 2995. Reservations cannot be obtained after 10 o'clock tonight.

Persons bringing guests were asked to obtain a card in advance in order to withhold any delay at the door. On Sunday night the members will hear Bill Williams and his orchestra.

George Welsh and his orchestra will play the dance music tonight at the Elk's home from 10 p. m. to 1 a. m. Mr. Harry Cook is in charge of the floor show, which will start at 11 o'clock.

Tonight at 8:30 o'clock members of the Orioles will start dancing to the music of Leroy Miller and his orchestra. While at the Moose, members only will be listening and dancing to the music of Bill Williams' orchestra from 10 p. m. to 1 a. m.

Members of the Moose were asked not to make reservations tonight after 10 o'clock. The usual fascinating floor show will also be seen.

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Zion's, the Rev. Howard A. Kosman, pastor Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.; worship, 10:30 a.m.; young people's service, music by young people's choir, 7:30 p.m.

Trinity, the Rev. John D. Franz, pastor Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.; worship, 10:45 a.m.; baptism, 3 p.m.

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Salem Evangelical United, the Rev. William H. Kauter, pastor Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.; worship, 10:30 a.m.; sermon by the Rev. A. Hyden district superintendent, Allentown, 7:30 p.m.

Church of the Brethren, the Rev. William A. Miron, pastor United Farm service, 10 a.m.; guest visitors with invited quartet, the Juniper college student volunteers; youth meeting with color slides of district camp work, 7 p.m.; "The Story of the Brethren," 8 p.m.; "The War Was Won," will give a chalk illustrated hymn on "Silent Night, Holy Night."

Bethel Evangelical United, the Rev. John L. Smoak, pastor Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.; church worship, 10:45 a.m.

## METHODIST

First, the Rev. Horace N. Olesker, pastor Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.; worship, 10:45 a.m.; theme, "God's Enduring Word"; Youth Fellowship meeting, 5:30 p.m.; leaders, Shirley E. Eberle and Billie West; worship, 7:30 p.m.; film strip, "The Other Wise Man."

Bethel A.M.E., the Rev. D. E. Owens, pastor Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.; worship, 10:45 a.m.; the Pastor, choir and congregation will be Bethel A.M.E. church in Pottsville, the Rev. H. C. Collins, pastor, 3:30 p.m.

## CATHOLIC

St. Aloysius, the Rev. William M. McCook, rector Masses, 5:45, 7, 8, 9 (children's mass only), 10 and 11, high mass.

Holy Trinity, the Rev. John Zbrowsky, rector Masses tomorrow at 8:15 and 10:30 a.m.

St. Peter's, the Rev. John Nata, rector Low masses, 10:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.; service, 3:30 p.m.

St. Michael's, Ukrainian, Stowe, the Rev. Nicholas Baranecsky, rector Masses tomorrow at 8 and 10 a.m.; weekday masses at 8 a.m.

St. John's, the Rev. John D. Taptich, rector Masses tomorrow at 7:45 and 10 a.m.

Holy Trinity Orthodox, the Rev. John Malasek, rector Masses tomorrow at 10 a.m.

## BAPTIST

Second, the Rev. Heywood L. Butler, pastor Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.; covenant communion, 11 a.m.; BYPU, 6 p.m.; Holy communion, 7:30 p.m.

## LUTHERAN

Emmanuel, the Rev. Luther A. Kroc, pastor Sunday school, 9:15 a.m.; worship, 10:45 a.m.; theme, "What Do You Expect?" Luther League in chapel, 6:30 p.m.; Mrs. John Devine will present Cumming's "How the Good News Came to the World"; Miss Alberta Buchholz will sing solo and Woodrow Bickel will lead devotional vespers, 7:30 p.m.; Mrs. Elizabeth W. Blackburn will render the "Christmas Story in Song."

St. Peter's, the Rev. Kenneth A. Anderson, pastor Sunday school, 9 a.m.; service, 10:15 a.m.; theme, "More Than a Servant"; vespers, 7:30 p.m.; theme, "The Gifts of the Wise Men—And Ours."

Grace, the Rev. Asa S. Whisen pastor Sunday school, 9:15 a.m.; worship, 10:45 a.m.; theme, "Who Will Be Our Leader?" In-Betweens, 6:30 p.m.; theme, "The Book of Revelations."

Transfiguration, the Rev. Theodore L. Fischer, pastor Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.; worship, 10:45 a.m.; theme, "Who Will Be Our Leader?" In-Betweens, 6:30 p.m.; theme, "The Book of Revelations."

St. John's, the Rev. Robert M. Lamarter, pastor Beginner and primary Sunday school, 9 a.m.; Senior and Adult Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.; vespers, 7:30 p.m.

## OTHER CHURCHES

Christ Episcopal, the Rev. George A. Linker, pastor Holy communion and healing service, 10 a.m.; church school and Bible class, 9:45 a.m.; morning prayer and sermon, 11 a.m.; theme, "You were God"; nursery school, 11 a.m.

First Presbyterian, the Rev. A. Burds Hallock Jr., pastor Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.; worship, 11 a.m.; music by children's choir; theme, "The Prince of Many Names"; Westminster Fellowship, 6:30 p.m.

Christian Science, 910 High street Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.; church service, 10:45 a.m.

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## Missionary Work

BUCK HILL FALLS, Dec. 12 (P)—

The Methodist Board of Missions and Church Extension today allotted \$10,177,538 for missionary service in the United States and overseas during 1948.

The appropriation, an increase of \$736,250 over this year, is the largest ever made for missionary work in the history of the Methodist church.

The outlay gives \$3,857,359 to the Division of Foreign Missions for its work in Europe, Asia, Africa and South America; \$2,048,535 for the Division of Home Missions for use in cities, rural and frontier parishes and institutions and \$4,271,664 for the Woman's Division of Christian Service for use in both in the United States and overseas.

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Dr. Ralph E. Diffendorfer, secretary of the Division of Foreign Missions, announced the American

people will be asked to give \$15,000.

000 to obtain a campus for establish-

ment of several schools at the uni-

versity and for partial endowment of

the institution. A movement is

under way in Japan to raise an

additional amount for the project.

An inter-denominational group in

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Fighter Squadron  
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The necessity for 150 additional enlisted men in the 148th Fighter Squadron of the Pennsylvania Air National Guard based at Reading Municipal airfield was stressed in an announcement released by officials of the unit who are anxious to secure more Boyertown men in the organization.

The Air National Guard is open to all physically qualified men between the ages of 17 and 35. In most instances, men with previous service records can re-enlist with their wartime rating. For newcomers, the announcement said, there is plenty of opportunity for advancement.

Five Boyertown men are already in the 148th. They are 1st Lt. Verne S. Magner, 1st Lt. Arthur G. Magner, 2d Lt. Howard Angstadt, and privates James Carrington and Donald H. Magner. The latter two illustrate the fact that men can still be in high school and yet participate in the Air National Guard. Magner is a senior in Boyertown High school and Carrington is a junior in the same school.

Yearly pay ranges from \$155 for a private to \$341 for a master sergeant, based on allowances made for a two-hour armory drill each Thursday night at Reading Municipal airport and a two-week maneuver pay during the summer.

The announcement said that the 148th Fighter Squadron and allied units provides training by sections in maintenance, communications, transportation, administration, armament, supply, weather, cooking and basic training for all men who have no previous basic preparation.

Uniforms, equipment, and other necessities are provided at no extra cost. For those men who work on Thursday night but who are nonetheless interested, a special Saturday afternoon period has been arranged. A Woman's Auxiliary for wives of all members of the 148th has a club house at the field and members meet every two weeks on Thursday night.

Men of Boyertown and communities in the neighborhood who are interested need only report to the Reading Municipal airport any Thursday between 7:45 and 9:45 p.m., the announcement said.

**DETUR TO GIVE TALK**  
Ralph S. DeTurk, supervisor of vocational agriculture in Boyertown High school, will be guest speaker in the Young Peoples Bible class of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran church tomorrow at 9 a.m.

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**Russia's May Block  
Reparations Issue  
In Japanese Pact**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (AP) — Russia was reported today to be threatening a deadlock on reparations from Japan while demanding \$10,000,000,000 from Germany.

Diplomatic informants said the Soviet delegate has served notice on the 11-nation Far Eastern commission that a United States proposal, which would trim down Russia's share of any war indemnity from Japan, is unacceptable from Moscow.

A majority of the other nations represented on the commission have accepted the proposal. It was submitted the past month in an effort to break a ten-month stalemate on the method of distributing the industrial plants and other reparations items to be exacted from Japan as compensation for her wartime aggression.

The reparations question is under consideration by the commission, apart from the Japanese peace treaty.

Russia likewise has brought to a standstill an American-sponsored move by the Allies to call a peace conference, contending the Pacific big four powers should take the initiative.

The Russian rejection, announced by Semen K. Tsafapkin, was described by other FEC delegates as short of a final veto.

They said there still was hope of breaking the impasse. Britain also has raised objections to the American proposal but has stated no final decision.

The Pacific big four—Russia, Britain, China and the United States—must concur in any decisions by the commission, which otherwise are taken by a simple majority.

If Russia alone should refuse to go along with reparations settlement accepted by the other Pacific Allies, it might be put into effect temporarily by means of an American interim directive to General Douglas MacArthur as supreme Allied commander in Japan. By this device advance reparation transfers already have been authorized for China, The Netherlands Indies, the Philippines and Britain.

The reparations question has been in dispute since the past February, when the nations which took an active part in the war on Japan filed conflicting claims. The United States, to end the deadlock, proposed a general scaling down, offering as a part of the settlement to share with others any reparations allotted this country.

Under the U. S. proposal, China would receive the largest share—30 percent of the total pool instead of the 40 percent initially asked. Nanking said it was ready to accept the reduction, informants said.

Russia initially asked 15 percent of the total reparations, regardless of wholesale removals of industrial equipment by her occupation forces in Manchuria. The reduced figures proposed by the United States as Moscow's share was not disclosed.

**FOUR PERISH IN BLAST**  
ROME, Dec. 12 (AP) — The Italian news agency Ansa said eight persons were killed and about ten others injured today by the explosion of a torpedo that was being deactivated at San Nicolo de Lido on the outskirts of Venice.

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**Chinese Surround  
40,000 Communists**

**In Hankow Area**

NANKING, Dec. 12 (AP)—Pro-government Chinese newspapers reported today that 40,000 Communist troops of Gen. Liu Po-cheng were surrounded northeast of Hankow and hopefully predicted that they would be destroyed soon.

The Communist force was said, however, to be contained in a 30,000 square kilometer area. (Equal to more than 11,500 square miles, this would appear to leave considerable room for maneuver).

The location was east of the Peiping-Hankow railway and west of the Ta Pich mountains where Liu's raiders had holed up after Summer-long ravishment of the north banks of the Yangtze river in central China. Severe fighting was reported in progress as government troops drove the Communists from the mountains.

The pro-government accounts said the encircled Communists comprised Liu's First, Third and Sixth divisions.

(An estimate of 40,000 for three divisions is high. Earlier government dispatches have referred to Communist divisions numbering 6000 to 7000 men each).

Two crack government armies (usually 20,000 men each) were reported driving west and northwest, while other government forces waited along the railway in the bid to crush Liu's power.

The army organ *Peace Daily* quoted a high military source as saying the operation should reach its peak by the end of this week or early next week.

Reports from Manchuria meanwhile said 20,000 Communists from Jehol province had infiltrated eastward and were mustering around the railway town of Chinhien, 110 miles northeast of the great wall that separates China and Manchuria.

In view of the hard winter in Manchuria, this was considered possibly localized action, but Peiping sources earlier reported the Peiping-Mukden severance at eight places.

**Delaware Man Jailed  
For Trappe Burglary**

NORRISTOWN, Dec. 12 (AP) — Robert K. Meisner, 21, of Rehoboth Beach, Del., who pleaded guilty to charges of burglary and larceny, was sentenced in Montgomery county court to one to three years in Eastern penitentiary.

The court ordered the term to begin at the end of a five-to-ten year sentence Meisner is serving for a Philadelphia holdup.

The latest sentence was imposed for breaking into the home of Clarence L. Stepp of Trappe, the past July 26, and taking a gold bracelet and some cash.

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## ON THE AIR SATURDAY

MORNING

Hour	KYW NBC-1060 K	WCAT CBS-1210 K	WFIL ABC-560 K	WIP MBS-610 K
6	Peter Roberts Morning Salute E. D. 1060	Jamboree Rural Direct Amos Kirby	Songs of Plains Jamboree Farmer's Market Weather	Dawn Patrol News Music Dawn Patrol News Music
7	Musical Clock News: Music Musical Clock	News: Weather Bucle Call Music	LeRoy Miller LeRoy Miller LeRoy Miller	Mac McGuire Mac McGuire Mac McGuire Mac McGuire Mac McGuire Mac McGuire
8	Musical Clock	News: Weather Bucle Call Music	Newscast Clock	Mac McGuire Mac McGuire
9	Let's Visit Zoo Tiny Tots Time Tune Songs Variety	Showtime Breakfast at the Click	Morning Extra Teen Age Time	Mac McGuire Mac McGuire
10	Frank Marwell Archie Andrews	Time Out Johnson Family Mari Lee Raynor	United States Navy Band Land of the Lost	News: Theatres U.S. Army Movie Stars Singing Strings Dixie Quartet News Memories, orch Recreation Time
11	Meet the Meets Smith, Ed McConnell	"Snow White and Rose Red" Adventures Club	Sports Clinic Junkie Junctions	Chitlin's Theatre Record Ranch Mac McGuire

AFTERNOON

Hour	KYW Public Affairs Midday Music News: Weather	WCAT Stars Over Hollywood Grand Central Station County Fair	WFIL Abbott & Costello Sleepy Hollow Gang	WIP Pan Americans Farm Talk News The Eskimos
1	National Farm & Home On the Sunny Side	News: Music Columbia's Country Jour Syncopation Picnic	Chorus Musical Bouquet	The Record Room; News The Record Room; News
2	On the Sunny Side To Be Announ'd	Metropolitan Opera Co. "Madame Butterfly"	The Record Room	The Record Room
3	Orchestra of the Nations	Metropolitan Opera Co. "Madame Butterfly"	" "	" "
4	Doctors Today	Metropolitan Opera Co. Record Control	The Record Room	The Record Room
5	First Piano Quartet	Charlie Spivak Saturday at the Chase	Tea & Crumpets	The Record Room Sports Parade
	E. Tomlinson Religious News Herman Quinet King Cole Trio	Dorothy Fulham	" "	" "

EVENING

Hour	KYW H. Roberts Almanac Hunting & Fishing	WCAT Convicts Annual Xmas Concert Curtain Time	WFIL News: Sports and Weather Football Game	WIP 6 P. M. Extra Vaughn Monroe Sports Shots Dinner
6	News: A Bach H. Roberts Almanac	Vaughn Monroe "Lorna Doone"	News School Boys Guest Star Exciting Case	6 P. M. Extra Vaughn Monroe Sports Shots Dinner
7	Hunting & Fishing	First Nighter Leave It To Bill: News	Boss Dolan, Detective Family Jury Trials	Betty Ann Xavier Cougat Newscope Twin News Views
8	Life of Eller Truth or Consequences	Stop Me If You've Heard This What's the Name of That Song	Gang Busters Murder and Mr Malone	Twenty Xmas Music
9	Hit Parade with Frank Sinatra Judy Canova Show	Vaughn Monroe Vaughn Monroe	Professor Quis Haylot Hoedown	Kings of the Highway Newspaper Jose Pilloado
10	Kay Kyser Show Grand Ole Opry	Serenade	News: Weather	Gone and Dance
11	News Caravan with Don Bennett	News: Europe Record Review	Sports: News	C'mon! Dance
	Caravan: Trio	News: Analysis Bill Campbell Johnny Austin Orchestra	Bandwagon	Sports: News

## ON THE AIR SUNDAY

MORNING

Hour	KYW NBC-1060 K	WCAT CBS-1210 K	WFIL ABC-560 K	WIP MBS-610 K
8	News: Organ Recital String Quartet	News: Trumpeters Carolina Calling	Christian Voices The Choir Loft Coffee Concert Christian Science	Oryan Beveries News The Bible Hour
9	World News Send to Order Hymns	News: Old Time Songs	Coast to Coast On a Bus	News Virtuoso Show Frank & Ernest Christian Science
10	D & H Miners	St. Paul Choir	Message of Israel Southerners Within Our Gates	Radio Bible Class Voice of Prophecy
11	National Radio Pulpit Carries of Music	Church of Air Migr. Rowan Church of Air	CBS Is There CBS in the Show	Beth Trinity Baptist Church Service
	Eternal Light	News: orch. Sport Scenes Children's Hour	Remoover	
	News: Music Solitaire Time			

AFTERNOON

Hour	KYW Research Music Music We Love Today's Concert	WCAT Children's Hour: News Ranger Joe Emily Cote	WFIL Norman Black Orchestra Footlight Favorites	WIP Andrew Sisters New California Melodies
1	Music From The Theater Symphonette	U. of P. Forum Schools Progr's Treasury Guest Marriage Woes	Sam Pettengill Dr. J. E. Shroyer F. G. Farber & Fiction	W. L. Shirer Ask Dr. Cyclo For Your Approval
2	Robert Merrill	CBS Is There	Leslie Sweetland Show Catholic Hour	Interlude Forum of Public Opinion
3	Harvest of Stars, James Melton	Bob Reid Sings Here's To You	Lassie	News Christmas Music Juvenile Jury
4	Eddy Howard	N. Y. Symphony Orchestra	This Week in Philadelphia Sunday Biscuit	House of Mystery True Detective Stories
5	One Man's Family	McDonald & Gordon Lovan	Phila. and Sub- Town Meeting Sound-Off	Adventures of Bill Lance Counterplay
	Quis Kids	N. Y. Symphony Orchestra Hour of Charm		The Shadow Quick-as-Flash
	Guy Lombardo Orchestra	Family Hour R. Stevens Bob Campbell Joe C Harsch		

EVENING

Hour	KYW Catholic Hour Hollywood Star Preview	WCAT Adventures of Ozzie & Harriet Donald Richards, Percy Faith	WFIL Drew Pearson Headlines Greatest Story Never Told	WIP Those Websters Nick Carter
6	Jack Benny Show	Blondie's Husband Takes a Trip	Sherlock Holmes Show Red Skelton Exploring the Unknown	MAI MA CUBA GAMS URUGUAYAN SPAT LAMINOS PIT MAN LIME AD GAS SHIBU FROG NOT ST AIR BIRD WHO GNOMES LICK SUAVITIBS EGGY LIMP HI PAY
7	Bandwagon with Phil Harris	Adventures of Sam Spade M. C. Hammer Called X	9. Tag 10. Detachable incandescent lamps	Yesterday's Answer
8	Charlie McCarthy Fred Allen	Walter Winchell Louella Parsons Helen Hayes	11. Tams 12. Large reading desk	
9	Manhattan Merry Go 'Round Music Album	The Man Who Found Xmas Jimmy Fidler Inside Wash'ton	13. Shatter 14. Marry 15. Negative reply	
10	Take It or Leave It Horace Heidt Orchestra	News: Analysis Washington Invitation to Music	16. Belonging to us	
11	News: Serenade New Stories NBC Symphony	News: weather	17. Melody 18. Chills and fever	
	America United		19. Goddess of dawn	

21 Workers Felled  
By Automobile Exhaust

ALLENTOWN, Dec. 12 (AP)—Twenty-one women employees of the Juvenile Products company were made ill today—nine requiring oxygen in a freak accident involving exhaust from an automobile.

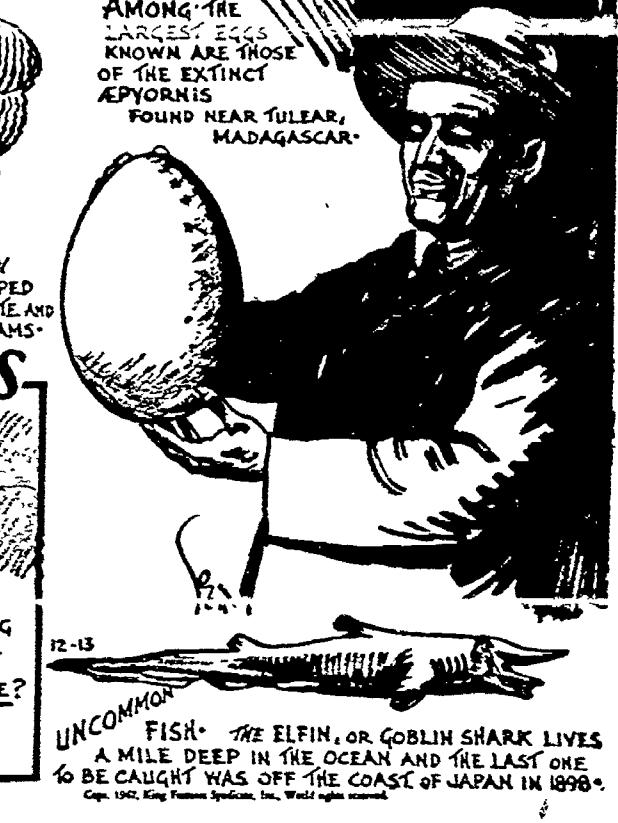
The Allentown fire department's emergency squad was dispatched to the downtown building housing the company and the Miller Motor Service and administered aid to the women, the entire personnel of the second floor plant.

Garage employees said a car had been overhauled and backed to the first floor entrance to the garage. It was allowed to idle and the door was opened slightly for the fumes to escape.

A strong wind, however, whipped the fumes back into the garage and upwards, with the exhaust fumes seeping through the floor into the plant above. None of the women was injured seriously, but the plant operations were suspended for the day.

NAMED TO AAF POST  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (AP)—The Air Force announced today assignment of Brig. Gen. Donald F. Stace as commanding general of its Mid-Atlantic, Pa., air materiel area, effective Dec. 15.

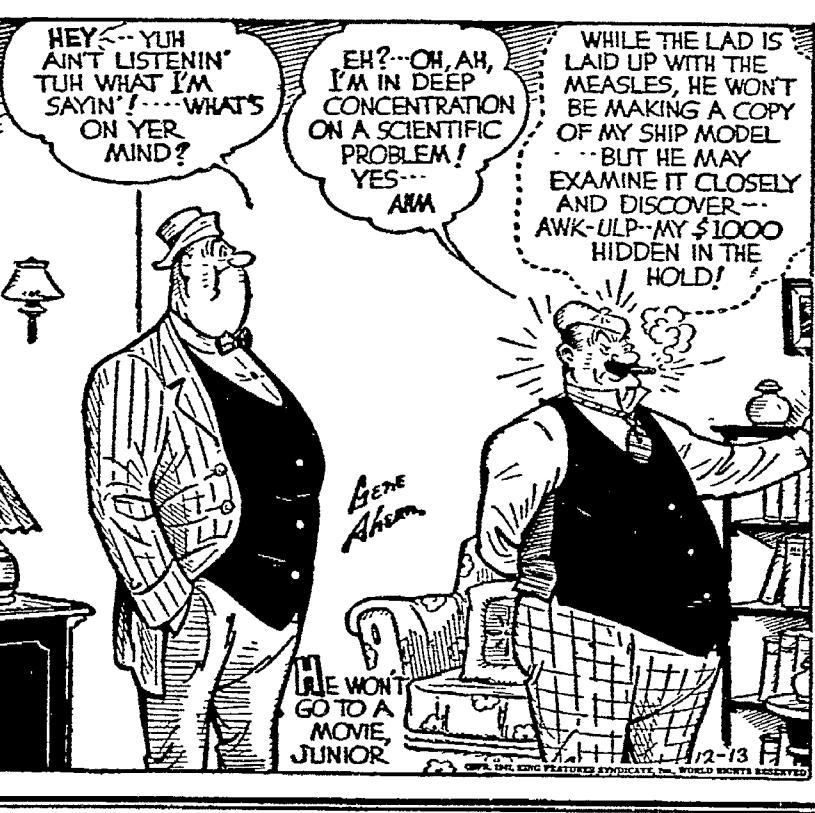
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## ROOM and BOARD by Gene Ahern



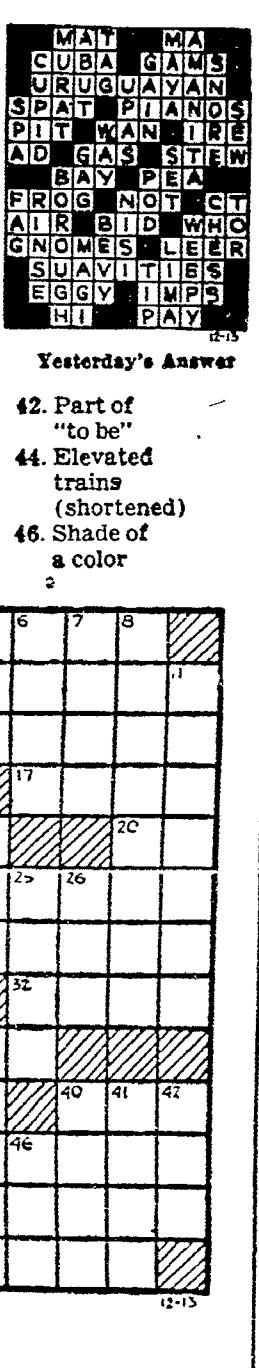
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## The Old Home Town by Stanley



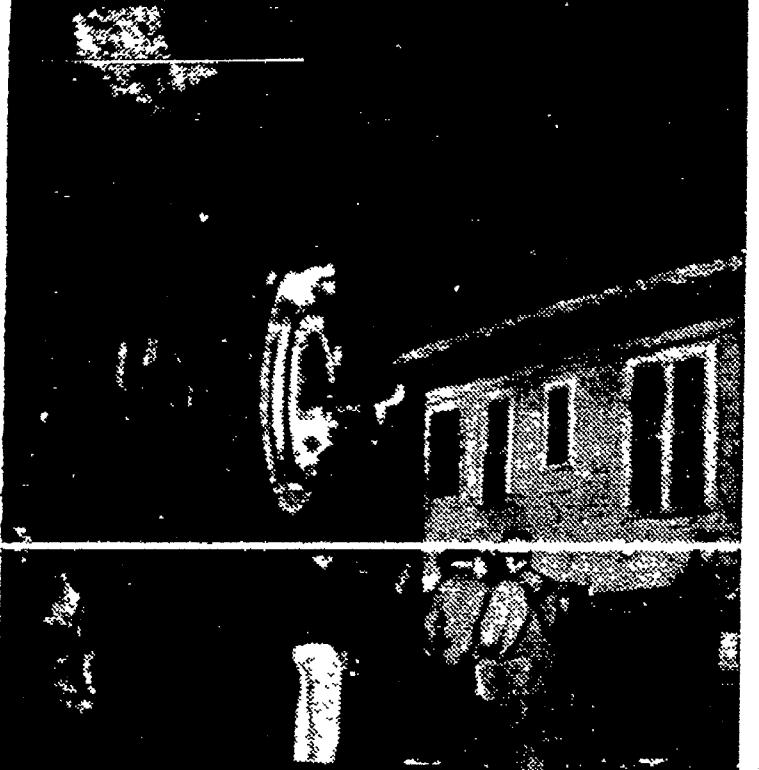
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## TODAY'S Crossword Puzzle





# Sell "Don't Wants" for Easy Quick Cash—Just Call 2263—Sold



MAIL TRAIN ENGINEER Olin Colwell thought he was seeing things as he approached Los Angeles. On the tracks was a house shown above. Before he could stop his train, the engine had nudged the structure, causing \$100 worth of damage. It turned out that the moving company transporting the house didn't know the train was due.



CAB DRIVER Albert Huesman, 25, chained to a tree by a holdup man at Louisville, KY., is freed by Detective John Meeks, back to camera, who holds a hacksaw. Patrolman Thomas Humphreys, at left, holds the chain.



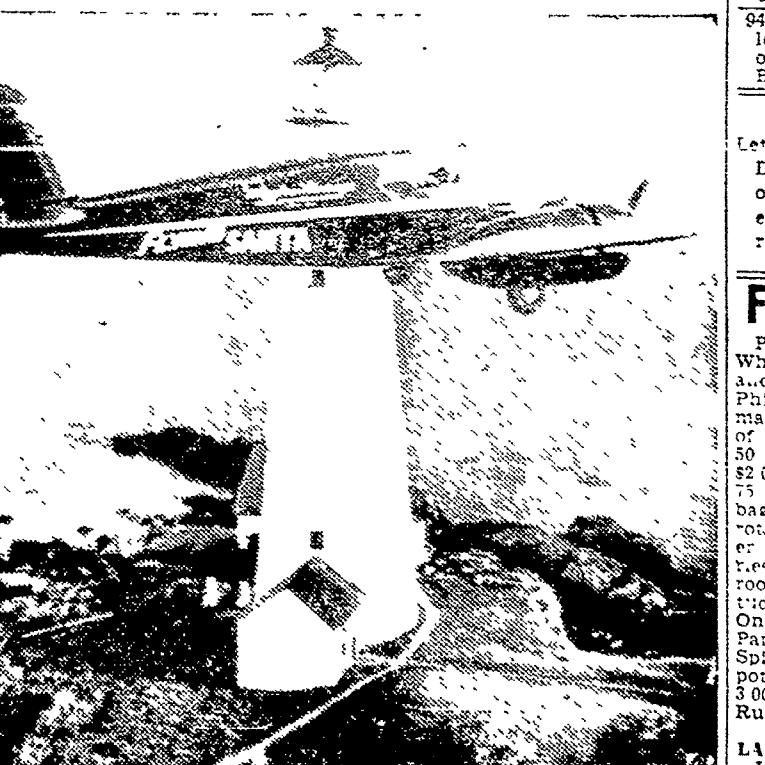
HEROINE in the Robert L. Kick home at Libertyville, Ind., is Adela Haven, 14-year-old baby sitter who rescued the five Kick children from their beds while fire was razing up basement steps. Mrs. Kick (right) says thanks with two of the children.



IT HAS BEEN SUGGESTED by the National Petroleum Council that Navy oil tankers (above) tied up in the James River anchorage, off Lee Hall, Va., be pressed into service to prevent a fuel shortage on the east coast this winter. Atlantic seaboard oil stocks are 10,000,000 barrels lower than they were at this time last year.



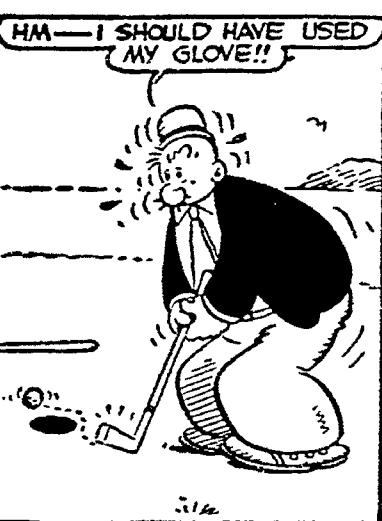
NINETEENTH FRACTURE puts 3-year-old Kathy Melville of South Weymouth, Mass., back in a Boston hospital. This time it's her left leg which has been broken.



EDWARD ROWE SNOW, New England's "flying Santa" circles Boston light to drop his first package to keeper, Leo F. Gracie. Snow plans to drop presents to lighthouse keepers and their children at stations along the coast from Canada to Florida.

POPEYE

By Tom Sims  
& B. Zaboly



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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Deaths

BROBOST—On Tuesday, Dec. 2, 1947, Earl J. Brobst, aged 49 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from Wheland Home, 444 Ninth St., Reading, Pa., on Saturday, at 2 p.m. Interment in Charles Evans cemetery, Reading, Pa. Friends may call at Wheland Funeral Home, Friday, 10 a.m. (Fleischmann)

JAMESON—In Conesteeville on Monday, Dec. 8, 1947, Harry E. Jameson, husband of Anna (Good) Jameson, aged 75. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to the services on Saturday at 11 a.m. from the funeral home of Arthur S. Maffei, 211 Main and Lincoln Highway, Conesteeville, Indiana. In Mt. Zion cemetery, Pottstown. Friends may call Friday evening after 7 o'clock. (Maclean)

WILSON—On Tuesday, Dec. 9, 1947, William Wilson, the late Ida R. (nee Himes) Wilson, aged 74 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from the funeral home of Arthur S. Maffei, 211 Main and Lincoln Highway, Conesteeville, Indiana. In Mt. Zion cemetery, Pottstown. Friends may call Friday evening after 7 o'clock. (Houck)

#### Card of Thanks

#### SCHOCK

The family of the late Carrie I. Schock wishes to sincerely acknowledge the kindness and sympathy, floral tributes and use of cars offered during their recent bereavement.

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#### Notice

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## Santa Is Man of the Hour



Six children of St. John's Reformed church watch a seventh reach for one of Santa's apples. Behind the disguise is J. Russell Reiffensteiner, member of the Men's Brotherhood class which sponsored the party for 80 children last night. Getting the apple is Carolyn Albright. Kneeling is David Engel. The three in the back row are Shirley Ann Kechn, Linda Kachel and Tommy Wilson. The middle pair are James Scheirer and Fay Engel.

## Air Force Probes Cause of C47 Crash In Tennessee; Ten Victims Identified

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 12 (AP) — Air Forces investigators today studied the explosion-twisted, burned remains of a C47 plane which carried 20 persons to their death near here last night.

But they had few clues and one investigator privately expressed the opinion the crash would go down in the books as "cause unknown."

Meanwhile, the grisly task of identifying the mutilated dead and notifying their relatives went on. The names of ten men had been announced 22 hours after the crash.

They were:

Maj. Spofford E. Avery, 29, executive officer of First Guided Missiles Battalion, Brewer, Maine.

T/4 L. H. Lancaster, 19, Beardstown, Ill.

T/4 D. Ames (age and address unknown). Discharge and records forwarded to Washington.

T/4 R. L. May, 19, Hazleton, Pa.

T/5 E. R. Bamford, 19, Easton, Pa.

Corp. J. J. Maxwell, 18, Maspeth, L. I., N. Y.

Pfc. J. J. Elshaken, 20, New York City.

## Senator Bridges Scores Administration Tactics

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (AP) — Senator Bridges (R-NH) accused the Administration tonight of "confounding" its own policy of aiding western European nations to resist Communism by "building up the economic and war potential of Communist countries."

Specifically, Bridges charged in a radio address specialized machinery taken from dismantled German war plants is being shipped to Russia and her satellites, "thereby increasing their war potential."

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## Brotherhood Stages Party for Children

Eighty children of St. John's Reformed church were guests of the Men's Brotherhood last night at a Christmas party highlighted by the appearance of Santa Claus.

J. Russell Reiffensteiner, class member, played the part to the hilt, coming with a complete costume and dispensing gifts to all children.

The party, held in the church's recreation room, also had movies and refreshments.

The musical program included Christmas carols by the group and numbers by Paul Stofko and Albert Mauger, piano duet; Stofko, piano solo; Betty Rowland, accordion solo; William Garrow and Mrs. Mauger, piano duet, and Patty Born, piano solo and recitation.

### PERON PREDICTS SURPLUS

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 12 (AP) — President Juan D. Peron told a group of writers today that Argentina would end 1947 with a surplus of \$300,000,000 to \$400,000,000 pesos (\$75,000,000 to \$100,000,000) and proposed to dedicate all or part of that sum to the country's cultural development.

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## Coventry Church Choir To Give Christmas Cantata

The choir of the Coventry Brethren church, the Rev. D. Howard Keiper, pastor, will present an all musical program in the form of a Christmas cantata, "Carol of the Bells," tomorrow morning at 10:30 o'clock in the church.

Col. Donald K. Fargo, commanding officer of the unit, said the home base of the C47—military version of the 21-passenger DC3 airliner—was at Aberdeen, Md., and that it was en route from El Paso, Texas.

The big craft burst into flames with a flash seen two miles away shortly after dark last night, ripped through a wooded section and crashed into a hillside some two miles from the Municipal airport.

Bits of the plane, a parachute and flesh were scattered over a quarter-mile path and some dangled in trees.

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## British May End Mandate Before May 15 Deadline

LONDON, Dec. 12 (AP) — Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin said today Britain will speed up both the surrender of her Palestine mandate and the final evacuation of British troops from the Holy Land if circumstances permit.

Next May 15 has been fixed as the latest date for giving up the mandate and Aug. 1 for the removal of British forces, but both steps may be completed before those deadlines, the foreign secretary told the House of Commons.

He also declared Britain would consider it a "provocative act" if Jews encouraged illegal immigration during the interim period. Decisions on future immigration, he said, should be left until the new Jewish state is established under the Palestine partition decision of the United Nations.

## Doehler Fellowship Club To Stage Party Tonight

The Doehler Fellowship club will hold its Christmas party at 7 o'clock tonight in the Hotel Berkshire, Reading, with 300 members and their wives expected to attend.

On the program will be a vaudeville show, dancing and gifts for the ladies made by Herman Maack, founder of the club.

Among the guests will be Charles Pack, vice president in charge of production, labor relations and development of the Doehler-Jarvis corporation, and F. J. Koehler, vice president, treasurer and controller.

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